

Profile – Lead SAP FICO, Integration & Security Consultant

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Christopher is an accredited SAP consultant with a strong all-round capability in SAP, Team Leading and Project Management. Modules in which he excels include; Finance, Controlling, Profit Centre Accounting, Fixed Assets and is extremely strong in R/3 SAP Security, Roles and Authorisations. He has also been involved in implementing MM, PS, HR, SD, PM, WM and POS via IS -Retail. This skill set has given him the rare SAP talent of being able to integrate the modules together from a process and a technical angle and identify any gaps within the solution. He is an expert tester, especially in the Integration Testing Phase.

Further to this what makes Christopher unique is the merger of these excellent technical skills with proven strong Team Lead and Project Management skills including the ability to use the ASAP Methodology. He has now successfully completed four project life cycles as a Project Manager and a double figure number of life cycles as an Application Consultant and Team leader completing over 20 projects in total.

Christopher also has proven support skills and is proud that he has been offered an extension to every project he has attended.

Prior to becoming Director of CRIDLER.com Christopher graduated with 1st class honours in Mathematics and Statistics at Birmingham University then joined LogicaCMG in 1998 and became their senior FICO & Security Consultant. He has also performed the role of MySAP finance skills champion for LogicaCMG where he had to look after their 40 FICO Consultants. Outside of work, Christopher enjoys cricket, running and has completed two Marathons raising money for Cancer Research.

Industry Experience

- Public Sector
- Utilities
- IS Retail
- Manufacturing

Skills & Competencies

- Project Management & Team Leading
- SAP Finance Champion (FI-CO-CCA-PCA-AA)
- SAP Integration Skills across most SAP Modules.
- SAP Security/Authorisations Expert
- Advanced Project Planning, Analysis & Design
- ASAP Methodology Expert



Project Summary (CRIDLER Ltd)

Jan 2009 to Feb 09

SAP FI-CO
Firefighter

Finance & Controlling Consultant
Isle of Wight Council

Local Government

Christopher joined this project in the testing phase, initially for a week to cover illness, he was responsible for helping Logica and the Isle of Wight Council hit their deadlines, he worked for both sides, configuring Electronic Bank Statement and LSMW uploads for Logica and writing and testing procedures for the IOW, fielding several questions from both sides of the fence, fire fighting issues and giving demonstrations. The Finance Team were in a lot healthier position after Christopher left the project.

Aug 2007 to Nov 08

SAP FI-CO
SAP SUPPORT

Finance & Controlling Consultant
Pilkington

Manufacturing

Christopher was responsible for supporting Pilkington's SAP FICO system and was offered multiple extensions due to his excellent work and FICO knowledge. He also helped out when a large Authorisations issue occurred, and offered extensive advice in this area (mainly re J-SOX) while supporting FICO. He also offered advice to the SD and MM Teams regarding integration issues, familiar errors and he also helped translate the occasional e-mail from the BASIS Team.

Aug 2006 to Aug 07

SAP
Upgrade

Finance & Controlling Consultant
BAE Systems (Subcontracted via CSC)

Manufacturing

CSC employed Christopher to conduct an SAP Financials & Sales upgrade from SAP Version 4.0 to MySAP 2004 (Also known as Version 5.0). The project ran smoothly and was completed on time. Christopher also helped out with Logistics & Security/Authorisation Issues and supported the system after the go-live.

Jan 2006 to June 06

Manufacturing
Product Costing
2 Euro Rollouts
SOX

Finance & Controlling Consultant
Cooper Cameron

Manufacturing

Cooper Cameron recruited Christopher to help them implement two speedy European Rollouts (Romania & Italy); Christopher was exposed to Product Costing (Routings & BOM's), parallel currencies and local statutory accounting. He also built several LSMW programs for the data loads and configured Asset Accounting across many Asset Books. Christopher was extended from 3 to 6 months after producing an excellent performance. All tasks had to be managed within Sarbanes-Oxley (SOX) regulations.



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June 2005 to Dec 05

SAP FI-CO
SAP SUPPORT

Jan 2005 to June 2005

PROJECT MANAGER
SAP INTEGRATION

Jan 2004 to Dec 2004

SAP FINANCE
UNIQUE SOLUTION

Nov & Dec 2003

SAP FI-CO
SAP SUPPORT

Oct 2003 – Nov 2003

PROJECT MANAGER
SAP IS RETAIL

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Finance & Controlling Consultant

IS Retail

Post Office (Subcontracted via Xansa)

Christopher was contacted by Xansa to help them through their go-live. His excellent work previously at the Post Office was the driver for his recall. An extension to his second term to support the solution was also put in place.

Project Manager & Integration Consultant Local Government

Milton Keynes Council (Subcontracted via HBS)

Christopher was responsible for Project Managing and integrating the SAP focussed tasks of the project from testing through to go-live. When contracted the project was behind schedule which Christopher along with the HBS Team turned around and delivered on time.

Finance & Controlling Consultant

IS Retail

Post Office (Subcontracted via Xansa)

Christopher was responsible for the design of the Debt Recovery process for the Post Offices new financial system POL-FS. This included an ingenious Agent Error Management solution built from scratch using SAP Standard functionality and an Interface to the till system (Horizon). Christopher's contract was extended after his initial six-month period.

Finance & Controlling Consultant

Support

LogicaCMG Support

Christopher was employed by LogicaCMG on a contract basis to support several LogicaCMG Systems in a support environment. He used his skills to resolve problems in other SAP Areas such as HR and PS (Project Systems)

Finance & Controlling Consultant

IS Retail

Unwins (Subcontracted via Novasoft)

Christopher was brought in to manage the FICO implementation as part of the IS Retail solution; he achieved this in a short space of time completing his full time role while working only part time. Integration was also required within the Point of Sale system that was also being implemented for Unwins at the time. Christopher was complemented on his organisation and his project plan.



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Mar 2003 - Sept 2003

Project Manager, Integration Consultant Energy & Utilities
British Waterways - Waterscape

Towards the end of British Waterway's main project, the Company created a separate Legal entity; to cope with this a project was set-up in which Christopher managed through all the standard project phases. A special factor was the integration with the main project which required development work to link the Waterscape designed Web front end and the core SAP modules.

PROJECT
MANAGER

Mar 2003

Archiving Consultant **Energy & Utilities**
DCWW

LogicaCMG's first archiving project, Christopher had to teach himself all the skills required, consult with the client to find out what needed to be archived and archived the data on DCWW's productive system, this was a part time assignment along with the start of the Waterscape project. Christopher had to organise his time to optimise the length of both projects. Although not an Archiving Consultant it was an enjoyable task and help Christopher understand how data is held on SAP.

Completed with
No Prior Knowledge

Dec 2002 - Feb 2003

Project Manager and Authorisations Consultant **Finance**
KPMG

"A watertight system to prevent fraudulent acts allowing each user into their specific area of SAP, complying with the KPMG Segregation of Duties Matrix" was the deliverable of this project. The security of SAP (SAP Authorisations) was segregated from the main implementation project, which Christopher managed. The project was delivered on time and within budget. To achieve this, KPMG were managed, trained and supported by Christopher in the Authorisation area of BASIS. All Security roles were created and managed by Christopher and his Team.

SAP SECURITY
PROJECT MANAGER

Oct & Nov 2002

Finance & Controlling Consultant **Internal**
LogicaCMG Support

Christopher's main objective was to support several implementations reactively. His tasks included answering e-mails, completing specifications for the ABAP Team to code, testing, estimating the time it would take to complete a change request and other general support activities. Logica invited Christopher to help with their support team after a successful employment as a permanent application consultant in the FICO, Integration and SAP Authorisations area. Christopher had no issue in the transition from SAP Application Consultant to SA Support Consultant.

SAP SUPPORT

Mar 2002 - Oct 2002

Integration and Lead Finance Consultant

Public Sector

UKHO

The UK Hydrographic Office commissioned Project Dolphin to implement cross charging functionality to provide an 'internal marketplace' culture together with further financial and profitability facilities. Project Dolphin also included an upgrade to 4.6c and the standardisation of a bespoke software system to deliver charts to standing order to customers. Christopher was placed on this project as a matter of urgency and managed to quickly stabilise the project that was experiencing many changes to the design. The main role was Integration Consultant where he had to piece together MM, SD, FI, CO, Project Systems and Profitability Analysis, which he is now skilled in. Christopher at times represented the project as the Project Manager.

**SAP INTEGRATION
RESCUED PROJECT**

Mar 2001 - Feb 2002

Integration and Lead Finance Consultant

Government

States of Guernsey

The States of Guernsey E-Pact project aims are to provide the Government with a standard set of financial and procurement processes, to promote joined up Government and to provide a platform for their e-Government programme. Christopher entered his first Public sector project with many responsibilities including the implementation (including configuration) of the FI, PCA, CO Modules and the integration of SAP (Linking Finance/Controlling to Funds Management, Procurement, BBP, BW and Plant Maintenance modules) and certain Project Manager tasks including chairing the Project Managers Meeting and Project Team meetings, making key decisions for the project and managing the team in the absence of the Project Manager. For a period of a month Christopher was the acting Project Manager.

**SAP INTEGRATION
Dep. PROJECT MANAGER**

July 2000 - Apr 2001

Lead Finance Consultant

Energy & Utilities

24seven

24seven was a company created from the merger of the electrical maintenance arms of two utility companies. The key driver for the project was to provide this new company with a complete suite of Financial, Logistics and Work Management systems to support their business, within a one-year timeframe. Christopher led a team of three Consultants to implement SAP. Detailed planning was required along with the implementation (including configuration) of the FI, PCA, CO Modules. There was a steep learning curve as version 4.6c (recently released) was required which is vastly enhanced from previous SAP versions. This project was awarded a 9 out of 10 grade for customer satisfaction. Christopher also helped out on certain Basis and integration issues. Christopher's proudest solution to date,

LEAD FINANCE



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Various

Hybrid Consultant

B&Q, Yorkshire Water, KPMG

Christopher spear-headed a unique opportunity to become a hybrid finance application and Basis Consultant. This led to a rather attractive skill-set when Basis knowledge was acquired and helped stop Basis wasting revenue due to forced but short call outs. He picked up all the housekeeping skills, which increased the productivity of the permanent Basis consultant. This led to a role at B&Q where he Project Managed the User Profile aspect of the project (Design, Build, Test and Implement in Live). Skills acquired: Transport System, Profile Generator (Including HR), Client Copies, applying OSS notes, User set up and General Support.

SAP BASIS
COST SAVING ROLE

July 1999 - May 2000

Asset Accounting Consultant

Energy & Utilities

Yorkshire Water

The SAP project undertaken with Yorkshire Water Services delivered the system support for a complete business process replacement programme. The SAP project in its first phase replaced 11 legacy applications providing, for the first time, a fully integrated Finance, E-Procurement, HR Payroll and capital projects system. The second phase saw the link to the operational side of the business implemented with an increased SAP footprint supporting Works Management supporting all 'do work' activities of YWS. Christopher was on the project through all its phases and was the lead consultant in Asset Management – a vital area - as the Water Company had many complex regulatory requirements. Christopher also helped out with the Finance and Controlling modules.

LEAD FINANCE

The following roles were also performed; they all contain skills described in later roles:

June 1999 - July 1999	Testing Manager Logica Time and Expenses project	Internal
Apr 1999 - June 1999	Finance & Controlling Consultant Sidlaw Packaging	Retail
Oct 1998 - Apr 1999	Finance & Controlling Consultant Novara	Retail / VAR

Career Summary

2003 to Date	Director of CRIDLER Ltd.
1998 to 2003	LogicaCMG

Business Skills

Skill	Experience
SAP Finance Consultant	10 Years
Team Leading & Project Planning	7 Years
Integration Consultant	6 Years
Project Management	6 Years
Support Consultant	5 Years

Qualifications / Affiliations

- **1998: SAP Accredited in Version 3.0h**
- **1995-1998: First Class Degree in Mathematics and Statistics from the University of Birmingham**
- **1994-1995: 'A' Level Grade A's in Mathematics, Further Mathematics, Physics and Chemistry**
- **1995: 'S' Level Grade 1 for Mathematics**